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(57) Abstract

A method of inhibiting, in a biological sample the binding of a CD22 $\beta$ -bearing B cell to a second cell bearing a CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand, by contacting the sample with a substance which binds to said CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand to competitively inhibit the binding of the B cell to the second cell. This second cell may, for example, be a T cell or B cell. In addition, the invention features a method of competitively inhibiting the binding of B cells to T cells in a human patient, thereby preventing activation of both T and B cells, by administering an inhibiting amount of a composition including a soluble protein comprising a portion of CD22 $\beta$  capable of binding to a CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand on a T cell, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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## COMPETITIVE INHIBITION OF T CELL-B CELL INTERACTIONS

### Background of the Invention

This invention relates to T cell-B cell

#### 5 interactions.

To differentiate into antibody producing cells, B lymphocytes must interact with helper T cells. Helper T cells are thought to stimulate B cells indirectly, by secreting B lymphotropic cytokines (see, e.g., Dutton et 10 al., Prog. in Immunol., 1:355-68 (1971); and Kishimoto and Hirano, Annu. Rev. Immunol., 6:485-512 (1988)), and directly through physical cell-cell contact (see, e.g., Kupfer et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., USA, 63:6060-83 15 (1986); and Noelle et al., J. Immunol., 143:1807-14 (1989)). While the role of cytokines in T cell-dependent B cell activation has been investigated (Kishimoto, Annu. Rev. Immunol., 3:133-67 (1985); Kishimoto and Hirano, supra), the molecular nature and physiologic effects of physical association between B lymphocytes and helper T 20 cells are not yet fully understood.

Several receptor-ligand pairs have been proposed to participate in T cell adhesion to B cells, including CD2-LFA3, CD4-MHC class II, T cell receptor-antigen/MHC class II and LFA1-ICAM-1/ICAM-2 (Springer et al., Annu. Rev. Immunol., 5:223-52 (1987); Springer, Nature, 346:425-33 (1990)). However, most of these molecules are thought to play a non-specific accessory adhesion role and are involved in T cell interaction with a variety of antigen presenting cells (Springer, supra).

30 Mature B lymphocytes express a lineage-specific cell surface receptor, CD22, a 130/140kD heterodimer (Dorken et al., J. Immunol., 136:4470-79 (1986)), composed of two independently expressed polypeptide chains (Boue and Lebien, J. Immunol., 140:192-99 (1988)). 35 Recent isolation of CD22 cDNA clones has revealed that

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both CD22 polypeptides are members of the immunoglobulin superfamily of integral membrane proteins (Stamenkovic and Seed, Nature, 344:74-77 (1990); Wilson et al., J. Exp. Med., 173:137-46 (1991)). The smaller form, CD22 $\alpha$ , 5 has an extracellular region composed of 5 Ig-like domains (Stamenkovic and Seed, supra) while the larger form, CD22 $\beta$ , has two additional Ig-like domains (Wilson et al., supra). Both polypeptide chains are highly related to myelin associated glycoprotein (MAG), neural cell 10 adhesion molecule (N-CAM), and the vascular adhesion molecule V-CAM/InCAM-110 (Stamenkovic and Seed, supra, Wilson et al., supra), consistent with a role in cell-cell adhesion.

Initial studies on the function of CD22 revealed 15 that CD22 $\alpha$  mediates adhesion to erythrocytes and monocytes (Stamenkovic and Seed, supra) while CD22 $\beta$  participates in B cell-B cell interactions (Wilson et al., supra). Cell surface expression of CD22 on B lymphocytes coincides with the capacity to respond to 20 antigen (Pezzutto et al., J. Immunol., 140:1791-95 (1988)), and the expression pattern of CD22 is reminiscent of that of IgM (Dorken et al., supra).

Recently, CD45 molecules have been shown to 25 display phosphotyrosine phosphatase activity (Tonks et al., Biochemistry, 27:8695-701 (1988); Hunter, Cell, 58:1013-16 (1989)) and were proposed to regulate signal transduction in lymphocytes by enhancing or blocking cell activation induced through T or B cell surface antigens. The regulatory function is believed to result from 30 interaction between intracellular portions of CD45 and various lymphocyte cell surface molecules. Depending on the cell surface molecules with which CD45 interacts, the resulting signals may be stimulatory or inhibitory (Clark and Ledbetter, Today, 10:225-28 (1989)). Cross-linking 35 of CD45 with CD3 or CD2 inhibits the ability of anti-CD3

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and anti-CD2 mAb to increase intracellular calcium fluxing and stimulate T cell activation. Conversely, cross-linking of CD45 with CD4 greatly augments the calcium fluxing produced upon cross-linking CD4 alone 5 (Ledbetter et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA, 85:8628-32 (1988)), suggesting that CD45 may regulate early activation events in T cells. Although it is widely believed that CD45 isoforms participate in cell-cell interactions (Hunter, supra), the corresponding ligands 10 on adjacent cells have remained elusive.

When cells of the immune system encounter an antigen, a humoral or a cellular immune response, or both, may ensue. Humoral immunity is mediated by B cells, whereas cellular immunity is mediated by T cells. 15 The interaction of antigen on an antigen-presenting cell with a helper T cell is a critical first step leading to activation of effector cells in both branches of the immune system. T cells and B cells communicate with each other through various interactions involving receptors, 20 e.g., the interaction between the T cell receptor and antigen, or the interaction between various cell adhesion molecules and their ligands, and through the secretion of various soluble factors.

Cell surface adhesion molecules play a role in the 25 function and regulation of the immune response by enhancing the efficiency of interactions between lymphocytes and accessory cells or target cells, promoting interactions between leukocytes and endothelial cells, and by facilitating the recirculation of 30 lymphocytes. Monoclonal antibodies to these adhesion molecules can inhibit the interaction between cells. Various adhesion molecules have been identified, including a lymphocyte function-associated antigen-1 (LFA-1) and the T cell surface markers CD2, CD4, and CD8.

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Each adhesion molecule is thought to interact with a specific ligand on the surface of another cell.

Before B cell activation and subsequent antibody production can occur in an immune response, antibody 5 present on the B cell surface must first recognize an antigen, either in soluble form or on the surface of a macrophage. However, in most cases, antigen alone is not sufficient to trigger B cell activation. The cooperation of an activated helper-inducer T cell and lymphokine 10 interleukin-1 (IL-1) is required. The activated helper-inducer T cells can produce soluble helper factors such as IL-4, IL-5, and IL-6, which induce the B cells to proliferate and differentiate into antibody producing cells (plasma cells) or memory cells.

15 In a normal immune response, activation and proliferation of B cells occurs when antigen interacts with the B cell antigen receptor, or membrane bound immunoglobulin, followed by aggregation, or patching, of these receptors on the cell surface. In addition, other 20 factors are required, such as the presence of T cells and macrophages as well as lymphokines that promote B cell growth and differentiation.

The absence of any of these factors may lead to an undesirable "tolerance". Tolerance in the normal immune 25 system means that it does not respond destructively to self-antigens. An extreme situation occurs when this tolerance expands to non-self, and potentially all, antigens. Another mechanism that can cause such tolerance is ligand-induced inactivation, or antigen 30 blockade. Immune tolerance may also be induced by other mechanisms, including the inhibition of B cell activation either by CD<sup>8+</sup> suppressor T cells or by inhibition of CD<sup>4+</sup> helper-inducer T cell activation.

The other extreme of immune disorders are 35 autoimmune diseases, which are defined as any disease

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caused by immunologic reaction to self-antigens, i.e., the normal tolerance is lost or diminished. Organ-specific autoimmune diseases include myasthenia gravis, thyroiditis, primary biliary cirrhosis, arteriosclerosis, 5 and autoimmune hemolytic anemia. Systemic autoimmune diseases include rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus and rheumatic fever.

Three mechanisms are principally responsible for inflammation and tissue injury in autoimmune disease:

10 cell lysis and release of inflammatory mediators triggered by autoantibodies, immune complex disease, and cell-mediated immunity. In the first mechanism, circulating autoantibodies react with modified or unmodified antigens on cell surfaces. The bound 15 antibodies then stimulate the release of mediators of inflammation, trigger the complement pathway, or activate cytotoxic cells of the immune system. In the second mechanism, complexes between autoantibodies and antigens form in a circulation or in intercellular fluids. These 20 complexes then deposit in various tissues and cause inflammation and tissue injury. In the third mechanism, sensitized T cells either injure cells directly or release lymphokines that amplify the inflammatory response.

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#### Summary of the Invention

We have discovered that CD22 $\beta$  mediates B cell interaction with CD4+, CD8+, and CD16+ (NK cells) T lymphocytes, as well as tonsilar B cells and B cell lines. T and B cell adhesion to CD22 $\beta$  occurs via at 30 least two known different sialylated ligands. The T cell ligand recognized by CD22 $\beta$  is believed to be CD45RO, a cell surface phosphotyrosine phosphatase, associated with the helper T cell phenotype (Smith et al., Immunol., 58:63-70 (1986); Streuli et al., J. Exp. Med., 188:1548-35 66 (1987); Tonks et al., Biochemistry, 27:8695-701

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(1988)); and the B cell ligand is CD75, a cell surface  $\alpha$ 2-6 sialyltransferase which is highly expressed on activated B cells.

CD22 $\beta$  constitutes the first CD45 ligand to be 5 identified; its interaction with CB22 $\beta$  may regulate T cell activation.

The invention features a method of inhibiting, in a biological sample or system the binding of a CD22 $\beta$ -bearing B cell to a second cell bearing a CD22 $\beta$ -specific 10 ligand, by contacting the sample with a substance which binds to the CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand to competitively inhibit the binding of the B cell to the second cell. This second cell may be a T cell or a B cell.

The preferred form of the inhibiting substance is 15 a soluble protein including a portion of CD22 $\beta$  capable of binding to a CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand binding site on a T cell. The inhibitory substance may also be an antibody to naturally occurring B cell CD22 $\beta$ .

The invention also features a soluble protein 20 fragment capable of binding to a CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand on a T cell. Preferably, this fragment excludes the transmembrane region of CD22 $\beta$  or includes only a portion of the transmembrane region small enough not to prevent solubilization of the fragment. In further preferred 25 embodiments, this fragment is at least 70% homologous with a region of CD22 $\beta$  and contains at least 322 amino acids.

The biological system noted above may be a human patient, in which case the method results in inhibition 30 of the immune response of that patient.

The invention also features a therapeutic composition including one or more different soluble fragments as defined above in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. The invention further features a 35 method of inhibiting a human patient's immune response to

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alleviate an autoimmune disease, by administering to the patient an effective amount of this therapeutic composition.

This invention also features an expression vector 5 including a DNA sequence encoding the soluble fragment and a cell comprising that expression vector. A soluble CD22 $\beta$  fragment according to the invention may be made by culturing this cell and isolating the soluble fragment therefrom.

10 In addition, the invention features methods of competitively inhibiting the binding of B cells to T cells, on other B cells, in a human patient, thereby preventing activation of both T and B cells, by administering an inhibiting amount of a composition 15 including a soluble protein comprising a portion of CD22 $\beta$  capable of binding to a CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand on a T cell, and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Other features and advantages of the invention will be apparent from the following description of the 20 preferred embodiments thereof, and from the claims.

#### Detailed Description

The drawings are first briefly described.

#### Drawings

Fig. 1a is an autoradiograph showing 25 immunoprecipitation of CD22 $\beta$  v. CD22 $\alpha$ .

Fig. 1b is a schematic representing the structures of CD22 $\alpha$  and CD22 $\beta$ .

Figs. 2a to 2h are a series of photomicrographs showing CD22 $\beta$ -mediated adhesion of peripheral blood and 30 tonsillar lymphocytes.

Fig. 3 is a set of four schematics representing the structures of truncated forms of CD22 $\beta$ .

Fig. 4 is a graph showing the T and B lymphocyte-binding epitopes of CD22 $\beta$ .

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Fig. 5 is a graph showing the blocking of Molt-4 and Daudi cell adhesion to CD22 $\beta$  transfectants by monoclonal antibodies and neuraminidase treatment.

Fig. 6a is a schematic of a soluble CD22 $\beta$  protein.

5 Fig. 6b is an autoradiograph of two purified CD22 $\beta$  fusion proteins.

Fig. 7a is a graph showing the reactivity of UCHL-1 monoclonal antibody with resting and activated T cells.

10 Fig. 7b is a graph showing the reactivity of resting T cells with CD22Rg, a CD22-immunoglobulin chimera.

Fig. 7c is a graph showing the reactivity of Molt-4 cells with various CD22-immunoglobulin chimeras.

15 Fig. 8 is a series of graphs showing the comparison of CD45RO+/CD45RO-peripheral blood T cells and other T cells for reactivity with UCHL-1 and CD22Rg.

20 Figs. 9a to 9d are a series of graphs showing the reactivity of anti-CD75 monoclonal antibody and CD22Rg with CD75-transfected COS cells and B cell lines and antibody blocking of Daudi cell binding to CD22- $\beta$ -expressing COS cells.

Fig. 10 is a schematic of the cDNA nucleotide and amino acid sequences of the entire coding and 3' untranslated region of CD22 $\beta$ .

25 Isolation and Characterization of cDNA Clones Encoding CD22 $\beta$

#### Molecular cloning of CD22 $\beta$

Isolation of CD22 $\alpha$  has been reported previously. CD22 $\beta$  was isolated from Nalm-6 and Raji cDNA libraries, 30 constructed as described by Stamenkovic and Seed, J. Exp. Med., 167:1975-80 (1988), by polymerase chain reaction (PCR) using synthetic oligonucleotide primers complementary to sequences 5' and 3' of the coding region of CD22 $\alpha$  designed to include an Xhol site at the 5' end 35 and a PstI site at the 3' end:

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CD22F: CGC GGG CTC GAG ACG CGG AAA CAG GCT TGC ACC CAG ACA CGA  
CD22R: CGC GGG CTG CAG GTC TGG CGA AAA CTC GGG GAC TTC CCT GGC

Reactions were done using ampliTaq polymerase (Perkin Elmer) and buffers recommended by the vendor. Thirty 5 cycles of amplification were carried out using the following scheme: 94 °C/1min, 60 °C/2min, 72 °C/3min. Following the amplification, a fraction of the product was examined on a 1% agarose gel, and the remaining product was subjected to restriction nuclease digestion, 10 after phenol-extraction and ethanol-precipitation.

Two PCR products of 2.6 kb and 2.1 kb were obtained from the Raji cDNA library, while PCR products derived from Nalm-6 and Daudi cDNA libraries consisted of a single 2.6 kb and 2.1 kb fragment respectively. Both 15 2.6 and 2.1 kb amplification products were subcloned into a CDM8 expression vector (Seed, *Nature*, 329:840-42 (1987)) and introduced into COS cells by the DEAE-Dextran method. Forty-eight hours following transfection, COS cells were tested for monoclonal antibody (mAb) 20 reactivity. Cells transfected with the 2.6 kb PCR amplification product derived from Nalm-6 and Raji cDNA libraries reacted with mAb to all of the reported CD22 epitopes (Schwartz-Albiez et al., *Leukocyte Typing IV*, Oxford University Press, 65-67 (1989)), while cells 25 expressing the 2.1 kb fragment reacted with only two of the mAb, HD39 and BL3C4, similar to the first reported CD22 cDNA isolate.

#### Immunoprecipitations

Immunoprecipitations were performed as previously 30 described in Stamenkovic and Seed, *Nature*, 344:74-77 (1990). Briefly, COS cells were labelled with <sup>125</sup>I, washed in PBS buffer, and lysed with a buffer containing a 1% Nonidet-P40, 20 mM iodoacetamide, and 1 mM phenylmethylsulfonyl- fluoride in a Tris-buffered saline 35 solution. The lysates were centrifuged, precleared with

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10  $\mu$ g of isotype matched mouse IgG and protein A beads (Pierce) at 4°C overnight and incubated with 10 $\mu$ g of Leu-14 monoclonal antibody (mAb) and fresh protein A beads for 4 hours at 4°C. Beads were washed in lysis buffer, 5 resuspended in loading buffer containing mercaptoethanol, and eluted by boiling. Eluates were electrophoresed on an 8% polyacrylamide gel and the dried gel was autoradiographed for 24h.

As shown in Fig. 1a, immunoprecipitation of the 10 two isoforms from transfected COS cells revealed that the product of the larger cDNA yielded a 130 kD species, while that of the smaller insert yielded a 110kD band, similar to the previously described CD22 polypeptide.

DNA sequence analysis, by the dideoxy method, of 15 the larger CD22 insert showed an open reading frame identical to the reported CD22 $\beta$  sequence (Wilson et al., *supra*), predicting an extracellular region composed of 7 Ig-like domains. The sequence of the smaller insert was identical to that of CD22 $\beta$  with the exception that 20 extracellular Ig domains 3 and 4 were deleted (Fig. 1b). The smaller isolate therefore corresponds to CD22 $\alpha$ .

CD22 $\beta$  Mediates the Adhesion of  
CD4+ T Cells and Tonsillar B Cells

To determine whether the two additional Ig-like 25 domains of CD22 $\beta$  provide new adhesion properties compared to CD22 $\alpha$ , COS cells transfected with CD22 $\beta$  were incubated with freshly isolated peripheral blood or tonsillar mononuclear cells under conditions previously described in Stamenkovic and Seed, *Nature*, 344:74-77 (1990).

30 COS cells were transfected with CD22 $\alpha$ , CD22 $\beta$  or CD20 by the DEAE-Dextran method, trypsinized 12 hours after transfection and replated in 6 cm plates at 25% confluence to facilitate rosette scoring, and cultured for 1-2 additional days before performing the adhesion 35 assays. Peripheral blood and tonsil mononuclear cells

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were separated on Ficoll Hypaque gradients, washed several times in PBS, and resuspended in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (DMEM) in the presence of heparin (500 U/ml). PHA blasts were obtained by incubating 5 Ficoll-Hypaque separated peripheral blood mononuclear cells with 1  $\mu$ g/ml PHA for 72 hours at 37°C in RPMI supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum. 48 hours following transfection, COS cells were overlayed with PBL, tonsillar cells, or PHA blasts in 2 ml DMEM and 500 10 U/ml heparin, and incubated at 4°C for 30 min. Non-adhering cells were removed by gentle washing with PBS and the remaining cells stained with fluorescein- or phycoerythrin labelled anti-CD3 (leu4), anti-CD4 (leu-3a), anti-CD8 (leu2), anti-CD14 (leu-M3), and anti-CD20 15 (leu-16) (Becton-Dickinson) mAb for 30 minutes at 22°C, washed in PBS, fixed in 4% formaldehyde and examined by fluorescence microscopy.

As shown in Fig. 2, mononuclear cell rosettes were observed around CD22 $\beta$  transfected COS cells, but not 20 around COS cells transfected with unrelated cDNA clones (data not shown). Treatment with fluorescein- or phycoerythrin-labeled monoclonal antibodies to the T cell, myeloid and B cell-specific antigens CD3, CD14 and CD20, respectively, revealed that PBL rosettes were 25 composed predominantly of CD3+ cells, and some CD14+ cells (Figs. 2a and b) but virtually no CD20+ cells (Figs. 2c and d). Unlike PBL rosettes, tonsillar lymphocyte rosettes, which were also largely composed of CD3+ cells, contained a significant number of CD20+ cells 30 (Figs. 2e and f). All of the rosetting T cells, whether derived from PBLs or tonsils, belong to the CD4+ subset (Figs. 2g and h).

These observations indicate that one or both of the two additional domains of CD22 $\beta$  are required for B 35 and T lymphocyte adhesion, but that the presence of these

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domains does not inhibit monocyte binding (Figs. 2a and b) or erythrocyte attachment (data not shown), which are presumably mediated by domains common to the two CD22 polypeptides.

5 Several T cell lines, including Hut 78, Jurkat, and HPB-ALL, failed to adhere to CD22 $\beta$  expressing COS cells. One exception, however, was the T cell leukemia Molt-4, which displayed specific binding. Similarly, a cell line of B cell lineage, the Burkitt lymphoma Daudi, 10 specifically adhered to CD22 $\beta$  transfectants. Neither Molt-4 nor Daudi cells adhered to CD22 $\alpha$ -expressing COS cells (data not shown), which is consistent with the observations that CD22-mediated T and B lymphocyte adhesion requires the presence of the two additional 15 CD22 $\beta$  domains.

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Construction and Expression of Truncated Forms of CD22

To identify the domains of CD22 $\beta$  responsible for antibody and PBL binding, truncated forms of CD22 $\beta$  comprising sequences encoding single or multiple Ig-  
5 domains of CD22 $\beta$  were ligated to sequences encoding the transmembrane and cytoplasmic sequences of CD32 as described in Stengelin et al., EMBO, 7:1053-59 (1988), and inserted into CDM8 expression vectors. Fig. 3 shows the structure of four such truncated forms of CD22 $\beta$ ,  
10 along with the predicted amino acid sequences at the sites of fusion.

CD22 cDNA sequences were amplified by PCR using synthetic oligonucleotides complementary to sequences flanking the cDNA regions to be amplified.

15 Oligonucleotides were designed to allow the creation of restriction endonuclease cleavage sites at the 5' and 3' extremities of each amplified cDNA segment to facilitate subsequent insertion into CD32 expression vectors. 30 cycles were conducted consisting of 1 min. at 94°C, 2  
20 min. at 60°C, and 3 min. at 72°C, using the reaction buffer recommended by the vendor (US Biochemical). A CD22 primer encoding sequences at the 5' extremity of the signal peptide and including an Xho I site was synthesized as follows:  
25 5'-CGC GGG CTC GAG ATG CAT CTC CTC GGC CCC TGG CTC-3'

Reverse primers containing a Bgl II restriction site were synthesized with the following sequences:

CD22D1: 5'-CTC GAG ATC TTC AGA GAC ATT GAG GTG TAT TCG TTC-3'

CD22D2: 5'-CTC GAG ATC TTT CAC GTT CAG CTG CAC CGT GTC ATT-3'

30 CD22D3: 5'-CTC GAG ATC TTC CGG GGC ATA CTG CAC TTG CAG GAA-3'

CD22D4: 5'-CTC GAG ATC TGT GGT CAC CTT GGG AGG ATA CTG GAC-3'

CD22 PCR products were digested with Xho I and Bgl II and ligated to Xho I-BamHI-cut CD4-CD32 vector.

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Constructs containing CD22 Ig-domains 1; 1 and 2; 5 1, 2, and 3; and 1, 2, 3, and 4, were expressed in COS cells and tested for mAb binding. The reactivity results are shown in Fig. 3, on the right side. Domain 1 failed to show reactivity with anti-CD22 mAb, whereas domains 1 10 and 2 reacted with mAb Leu-14 and Bl-3C4, which are thought to recognize two different CD22 epitopes (Schwarz-Albeiz et al., supra), and supported erythrocyte adhesion (data not shown). Constructs containing CD22 domains 1-3 and 1-4 were expressed in COS cells, reacted with all anti-CD22 mAb, and mediated adhesion of both Molt-4 and Daudi cells. Sequences required for 15 reactivity with known antibodies, as well as T and B cell adhesion, are therefore encoded in the first three CD22 Ig-like domains (residues 1-302).

These results demonstrate that B and T cell binding sequences are encoded in the first three Ig domains of CD22 $\beta$ .

T and B Cell Lines Bind to Different Epitopes of CD22 $\beta$ .  
20 To determine whether T and B lymphocyte adhesion is mediated by the same or different CD22 epitopes, blocking assays were performed by treating CD22 $\beta$ -transfected COS cells with a panel of anti-CD22 mAb, prior to incubation with Molt-4 or Daudi cells. Two of 25 the mAbs, Leu-14 and Bl-3C4 mAb, which recognize both CD22 polypeptides, failed to inhibit adhesion of either cell line. However, Molt-4 adhesion was completely blocked by pre-incubation of COS cell transfectants with CD22-specific mAb IS7 and To15, which recognize two 30 distinct CD22 epitopes (Schwarz-Albiez, et al., supra), whereas Daudi cell adhesion was blocked by To15 only (Fig. 4). Two additional mAbs, HD6 and OTH228, specific for CD22 $\beta$ , had no inhibitory effect on either Molt 4 or Daudi cell adhesion. These observations suggest either 35 that Molt-4 and Daudi cell attachment is mediated by

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different epitopes of the CD22 $\beta$  molecule or that two CD22 $\beta$  epitopes are required for T cell binding while a single epitope, which constitutes part of the T cell binding site, is sufficient for B cell adhesion. In either case, it appears likely that T and B cells may express different ligands for CD22 $\beta$ .

CD22 $\beta$ -Mediated T Cell Adhesion  
is Blocked by the CD45RO mAb UCHL-1

T cells adhering to CD22 $\beta$ -transfected COS cells are CD4+, but not all CD4+ lymphocytes bind to CD22 $\beta$ -transfected cells (data not shown). To identify the T cell ligand of CD22, a panel of mAb to cell surface antigens expressed on subpopulations of CD4+ T cells were tested for blocking adhesion of Molt 4 cells to CD22 $\beta$ -transfected COS cells. The panel included mAb to CD2, CD4, CD5, CD6, CD7, CD8, CD18, CD44 and CD45 antigens. Only one monoclonal antibody, UCHL-1, which recognizes the restricted leukocyte common antigen isoform CD45RO (Smith et al., Immunol., 58:63-70 (1986); Terry et al., Immunol., 64:331-36 (1988)), specifically blocked adhesion of Molt-4 cells (Fig. 5). Similarly, pre-incubation of tonsillar cells, PBLs and day 3 PHA- blasts with UCHL-1 resulted in blocking of T cell adhesion to CD22 transfectants (data not shown). Monoclonal antibodies 2H4 and 4KB5, specific for the CD45A isoform (Streuli et al., J. Immunol., 141:3910-17 (1988); Schwinzer, Leukocyte Typing IV, Oxford University Press, 628-37 (1989)), did not inhibit Molt-4 (Fig. 5), peripheral blood, or tonsillar T cell binding. The different lanes in Fig. 5 show the percentage of adhesion (compared to medium only) of Daudi and Molt-4 cells to CD22 $\beta$  transfectants in the presence of: lane 1, no treatment; lane 2, anti-CD44 mAb; lane 3, anti-CD5 mAb; lane 4, anti-CD8 mAb; lane 5, anti-CD45 mAb 2H4; lane 6,

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anti-CD45 mAb 4KB5; lane 7, anti-CD45 mAb UCHL-1; and lane 8, neuraminidase.

Monoclonal antibody assays

Transfected COS cells were pre-incubated with 50 µg of each anti-CD22 mAb for 45 min. at 22°C, washed in PBS, and overlayed with 5x10<sup>6</sup> Molt-4 or Daudi cells in DMEM with 500U/ml heparin. Incubation proceeded for 30 min. as above. Rosettes were scored by recording the number of mononuclear cells in each individual rosette.

Because of variation in COS cell size, 100-200 COS cells were scored per assay. Average scores obtained for adhesion in the presence of each mAb are expressed as a percentage of average scores obtained for adhesion in the presence of media alone.

Monoclonal antibodies to CD2, CD4, CD4, CD6, CD7, CD8, CD18, CD44, CD45 and CD75 were obtained from the Fourth International Typing Leukocyte Workshop. Antibodies to CD45RO (UCHL-1) and CD45RA (2H4) were a kind gift of Dr. Stuart Schlossman. Antibody blocking was performed by pre-incubating transfected COS cells or PBL, TL, PHA blasts and cell lines with monoclonal antibodies at a concentration of 50µg/ml for 45 min. at 22°C. Cells were washed in PBS and adhesion assays conducted as described above.

Neuraminidase blocking assays

Recent reports have shown that presence of sialic acid groups on CD45RO is required for reactivity with UCHL-1 mAb (Pulido and Sanchez-Madrid, Eur. J. Immunol., 20:2667-71 (1990)). Neuraminidase treatment of Molt 4 cells abolished UCHL-1 reactivity (data not shown), and abrogated adhesion to CD22-β transfected COS cells (Fig. 5), suggesting that sialylation of CD45RO is critical for interaction with CD22β as well. Reactivity of neuraminidase treated cells with monoclonal antibodies specific for other cell surface glycoproteins, including

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CD7 and CD44 was unaltered (data not shown), suggesting that the observed loss of adhesion was not due to neuraminidase-induced cell damage.

Neuraminidase treatment was done by incubating 5  $5 \times 10^6$  cells with 50 mU/ml neuraminidase from Vibrio cholerae at 37°C for 30 min. To quantitate the adhering cells, transfected COS cells were treated with a non-blocking anti-CD22 mAb (leu-14) at a dilution of 1:500 in PBS, for 30 min. at 22°C immediately following the 10 adhesion assay. The cells were rinsed with PBS, incubated with a fluorescein-conjugated goat anti-mouse affinity purified antibody (Cappel), rinsed with PBS, fixed in 4% formaldehyde and examined under a fluorescence microscope. The number of mononuclear cells 15 forming rosette around each leu-14-positive COS cell was recorded. In each individual adhesion assay, 200 COS cells positive for Leu-14 reactivity were scored. No rosettes were observed with leu-14 negative COS cells.

Soluble CD22-Ig Fusion Proteins React With CD45RO

20 To provide more direct evidence that CD22 $\beta$  interacts with CD45RO, soluble CD22 Ig chimeras, which we refer to as CD22Rg (Aruffo et al., Cell, 61:1303-13 (1990)), were created by genetic fusion of cDNA segments encoding the first three (CD22D3) or four (CD22D4) 25 extracellular Ig-like domains of CD22 $\beta$  to genomic DNA segments encoding human IgG1. Fig. 6a shows the structure of these two soluble fusion proteins, CD22D3Rg and CD22D4Rg. Both CD22Rg fusion proteins were efficiently secreted by COS cells and reacted with anti- 30 CD22 monoclonal antibodies HD39 and HD6 (data not shown). Fig. 6b shows the molecular weight of these two proteins on an autoradiograph.

A CD8 fusion protein, described in a previous study (Aruffo et al., supra), was used as a control for 35 non-specific, Fc-mediated interactions. All fusion

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proteins formed disulfide-linked dimers similar to immunoglobulins, and accumulated to concentration of 0.5-2  $\mu$ g/ml in COS cell supernatants at 7-10 days post transfection. To test for ligand reactivity, fusion 5 proteins were used as supernatants or after purification on a protein A-sepharose column.

Purified CD22Rg (continuous line) but not CD8Rg (dotted line) revealed reactivity with Molt-4 cells (Fig. 7c). The reactivity was specific, since no binding was 10 observed to several CD45RO-negative T cell lines, including the T cell leukemias Hut 78 and HPB-ALL (Fig. 8), and was blocked by incubation with UCHL-1 (discontinuous line) but not with 2H4 mAb (dash-dotted line) (Fig. 7c). Because expression of CD45RO in T cells 15 is enhanced upon activation, UCHL-1 and CD22Rg reactivity of resting T cells (a), day 3 PHA- blasts (b) and T cells cultured for 16 days following PHA stimulation (c) were compared (Figs. 7a and b). Not only was the percentage of UCHL-1-reactive, resting T cells, day 3 PHA blasts and 20 16-day post-PHA stimulation T cells (71%, 84% and 93%, respectively) comparable to CD22Rg reactive fractions (69%, 81% and 88% respectively), but the relative intensity of reaction with CD45Rg of all three T cell populations (Figs. 7a and b), was a reflection of the 25 level of CD45RO expression. The similar intensity of staining with UCHL-1 and CD22Rg, however, does not reflect similar affinity for CD45RO, since CD22Rg was used at concentrations of 45-50  $\mu$ g/ml compared to 5  $\mu$ g/ml of UCHL-1 mAb or a 1:200 dilution of ascitic fluid.

30 To provide further support for the suggestion that CD45RO interacts with CD22 $\beta$ , purified peripheral blood T cells were sorted into CD45RO+ and CD45RO- subpopulations and tested for CD22Rg reactivity and CD22 $\beta$ -mediated adhesion. Only CD45RO+ cells were observed to react with

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CD22Rg and to form rosettes with CD22 $\beta$ -expressing COS cells (Fig. 8).

Production of soluble CD22

5 cDNA sequences encoding the first 3 or 4 Ig-like domains of CD22 were amplified by PCR and the amplified sequences were ligated to plasmids containing genomic sequences encoding the Fc portion of IgG1 as previously described in Aruffo et al., *Cell*, 61:1303-13 (1990).  
10 CD22.3Rg and CD22.4Rg constructs were introduced into COS cells by the DEAE-Dextran method, and supernatants collected 5-7 days post transfection. Supernatants were tested for CD22Rg production by labeling COS cells with 35S-cysteine-methionine (ICN) and precipitating the labeled soluble CD22 with protein A beads (Pierce). For 15 purification, supernatants were passed over a protein A trisacryl column (Pierce) (typically 250  $\mu$ l of packed protein A beads were used for 200 ml of supernatant) at room temperature. Protein was eluted in 0.1 M acetic acid, pH 4.5 and immediately neutralized in tris buffer 20 to a pH of 8.0. For staining reactions, soluble CD22Rg was used at concentrations of 25-50  $\mu$ g/ml.

Monoclonal antibody and soluble CD22 reactivity with T cells and T and B cell lines

Purified peripheral T cells were obtained by 25 depleting Ficoll-Paque-separated mononuclear cells of B cells using anti-human IgM antibody-coated magnetic beads (Dynal, Oslo, Norway) and of monocytes by panning on plastic dishes for 30 min. A 95% pure CD3+ population was thus obtained. Purified T cells and T and B cell 30 lines were incubated with monoclonal antibodies at 5  $\mu$ g/ml, or 1:200 dilution of ascitic fluid, or CD22Rg and CD8Rg at 25-50  $\mu$ g/ml, as above. Antigen expression and CD22Rg reactivity were measured by indirect fluorescence and flow cytometry. Purified peripheral T cells were 35 sorted into CD45RO+ and CD45RO- populations on an EPICS cell sorter.

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CD22Rg Blocks Anti-CD3-Mediated T Cell Activation

Because CD45 is thought to be involved in regulating protein phosphorylation, interaction of CD45RO with CD22 may play a role in T cell activation.

5 Preliminary studies designed to determine a possible functional role of CD22 in T cell triggering, revealed that anti-CD3 mediated T cell activation is blocked by CD22Rg in a dose-dependent fashion (Table 1). Anti-CD45RO mAb UCHL-1 produced a less pronounced effect in 10 soluble form at comparable doses but had a strong inhibitory effect when crosslinked to plates. Human immunoglobulins and CD8Rg at comparable doses produced no effect on T cell activation (Table 1). Unlike UCHL-1, CD22Rg did not require crosslinking to block CD3-mediated 15 activation. Neither soluble CD22Rg nor soluble or plated UCHL-1 mAb had any effect on PHA-mediated T cell activation (data not shown), consistent with the notion that triggering of CD45RO by antibody or ligand modulates some but not all T cell activation pathways. The amounts 20 of antibody and CD22Rg used are indicated on Table 1. All assays were done in triplicate or quadruplicate. The anti-CD3 MAb used for T cell stimulation was 12F6 as described by Wong et al., J. Immunol., 143:3404-11 (1989). 25 Although further studies are required to determine the physiologic effects of CD22 $\beta$  on T cells, our data indicates that interaction between CD22 $\beta$  and its T cell ligand down-regulates T cell activation.

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Table 1. Inhibition of T Cell Activation by CD22 IgG

		Antibody or soluble Receptor--Immunoglobulin Added (40 $\mu$ g/ml)				Mean Proliferation ± SD (cpm)
5		Human IgG	UCHL-1	CD8Rg	CD22Rg	
Stimulation with	Anti-CD3 (Plated)					
10	-	-	-	-	-	1,159 ± 174
	+	-	-	-	-	95,441 ± 15,938
	+	-	+	-	-	67,723 ± 5,221
	+	-	-	+	-	102,755 ± 7,375
	+	-	-	-	+(40 $\mu$ g)	13,960 ± 3,731
	15	+	-	-	+(80 $\mu$ g)	1,636 ± 240
+	+	+	-	-	-	91,375 ± 5,961
	+	-	+(Plated)	-	-	7,509 ± 3,631

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The B Cell Ligand for CD22  
is the  $\alpha$ 2-6 Sialyltransferase CD75

Similar to Molt 4 cells, Daudi cell adhesion to CD22-transfected COS cells was abrogated by neuraminidase treatment. However, B cells do not express CD45RO (Thomas, Ann. Rev. Immunol., 7:339-69 (1989)), and Daudi cells displayed no reactivity with UCHL-1 mAb (Fig. 9c). These observations suggest that a sialylated glycoprotein distinct from CD45RO is likely to be the B cell ligand for CD22- $\beta$ . B cells express several sialylated cell surface proteins, prominent among which are the low affinity IgE receptor, CD23 (Barsoumian et al., Leukocyte Typing IV, Oxford University Press, 110-12 (1989)), sialophorin/CD43 (Stross et al., id., 615-17), different isoforms of CD45 (Thomas, Ann. Rev. Immunol., 7:339-69 (1989)), and  $\alpha$ 2-6 sialyltransferase/CD75 (Stamenkovic et al., J. Exp. Med., 172:641-43 (1990)). CD22Rg (continuous line) specifically reacted with COS (Fig. 9b) and Hela (data not shown) cells transfected with a CD75-specific cDNA, but not with COS cells transfected with cDNA clones encoding CD23, (Stamenkovic and Seed, unpublished) and CD43 (Stamenkovic, unpublished) (data not shown).

Fig. 9a shows the reactivity of CD75-transfected COS cells with anti-CD75 mAb HH-2 (continuous line) and with an unrelated, isotype-matched mouse antibody (dotted line). Fig. 9b shows the reactivity of these same transfected COS cells with CD22Rg (continuous line), CD22Rg following treatment with neuraminidase (dotted line), and CD8Rg (sparcely dotted line).

The observation that human CD75, introduced into both simian fibroblasts and human epithelial cells, preserves reactivity with CD22Rg is consistent with direct interaction between the two molecules. However, the recent discovery that CD75 is identical to  $\alpha$ 2-6

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sialyltransferase (Stamenkovic et al., 1990, supra), raises the possibility that the observed CD22Rg reactivity may be due to  $\alpha$ 2-6 sialylation of an intrinsic COS or Hela cell surface molecule as a result of CD75 expression. To eliminate this possible explanation, COS cells transfected with unrelated cDNA clones were incubated with varying concentrations of soluble sialyltransferase, which, in the presence of appropriate substrate, has been shown to retain its enzymatic activity (Weinstein et al., J. Biol. Chem., 257:13835-44 (1982)). If CD22Rg recognizes a resident  $\alpha$ 2-6 sialylated COS cell receptor, CD22Rg reactivity with COS cells subjected to soluble sialyltransferase would be expected. However, soluble sialyltransferase failed to induce COS cell reactivity with CD22Rg.

To determine whether soluble sialyltransferase effectively sialylates COS cell antigens, COS cells treated with soluble sialyltransferase or transfected with CD75 were treated for agglutination with sambucus nigra bark lectin (SNA). SNA specifically agglutinates  $\alpha$ 2-6 sialylated glycoproteins (Shibuya, et al., Arch. Biochem. Biophys., 254:1-8 (1987)), but has virtually no effect on untreated COS cells, suggesting that COS cells do not constitutively express significant levels of  $\alpha$ 2-6 sialylated molecules. CD75-transfected and soluble sialyltransferase-treated COS cells both displayed agglutination in the presence of SNA (data not shown), indicating that both the cell surface form and the soluble form of sialyltransferase mediate sialylation of COS cell glycoproteins.

To determine how CD75 expressed in COS cells compares to B cell CD75 for reactivity with CD22Rg, mature and lymphoblastoid B cell lines were compared for CD75 expression, CD22Rg reactivity, and CD22 $\beta$ -mediated adhesion. Daudi and Raji cells revealed CD22Rg

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reactivity which reflected CD75 surface expression, and, accordingly, formed rosettes with CD22- $\beta$ -transfected COS cells (Fig. 9c). The B lymphoblastoid cell line IM-9, which lacks CD75 expression, failed to adhere to CD22- $\beta$  transfectants or to react with CD22Rg (Fig. 9c). Fig. 9c also shows the use of murine antibodies (dotted lines) as controls for UCHL-1 and HH-2 mAbs reactivity, and CD8Rg as a negative control (dotted line) for CD22Rg binding. The mAbs were used at 5  $\mu$ g/ml and CD22Rg and CD8Rg were used at 50  $\mu$ g/ml.

Additional support for physical association between CD22- $\beta$  and CD75 was provided by the observation that the CD75-specific mAb HH-2 (Erikstein et al., Leukocyte Typing IV, Oxford University Press, 110-12 (1989)) blocked Daudi cell adhesion to CD22 $\beta$ -transfected COS cells (Fig. 9d). Fig. 9d shows no blocking by the medium, or the mAbs 2H4, which recognizes CD45RA, UCHL-1, or IF5, which recognizes CD20. Taken together, these results suggest that CD22Rg binds CD75 directly.

20 Sialyltransferase functional assay

To test for sialyl transferase activity, COS cells treated with soluble sialyltransferase (Sigma), transfected with CD75 or untreated, were lifted off the culture plates with 0.5 mM EDTA, washed in PBS, incubated 25 with 10  $\mu$ g/ml, and overlayed with treated, transfected, or untreated COS cells. Adherent cells were counted after a brief incubation of 10-15 minutes at room temperature.

To test for soluble sialyltransferase induction of CD22Rg reactivity, COS cells transfected with an unrelated cDNA, encoding CD20, were treated with soluble sialyl transferase (Sigma, St. Louis, MO) at concentrations from 0.01 mM to 1 mM in DMEM/10%FBS for 30 min. to 2 hr. at 37°C, in the presence of CMP-sialic acid 35 (Sigma) according to procedures of Weinstein et al., J.

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Bio. Chem., 257:13835-44 (1982). COS cells treated with soluble sialyltransferase were compared for agglutination with CD75-transfected cells and untreated cells or tested for reactivity with CD22Rg by indirect 5 immunofluorescence.

#### Cell Cultures

In proliferation assays, peripheral blood mononuclear cells isolated on Ficoll-Paque were used. Cells were cultured in quadruplicate samples in 96 well 10 microtiter plates at  $2 \times 10^5$ /ml, in RPMI medium (Gibco, Grand Island, NY) supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum and gentamycin. Prior to T cell stimulation, plates were coated with anti-CD3 mAb at a concentration of 10  $\mu$ g/ml in PBS overnight at 4°C. After 3 days in 15 culture, cells were pulsed for 6 hours with  $0.5 \mu$ Ci/[<sup>3</sup>H] thymidine/well. Cells were harvested with an automatic cell harvester and radioactivity was measured in a liquid scintillation counter. In blocking studies, UCHL-1 mAb, human IgG, CD22Rg and CD8Rg were used at 40  $\mu$ g/ml or as 20 indicated.

#### Binding of soluble CD22 $\beta$ to transfected COS cells

COS cells transfected with CD20, CD22 $\beta$ , CD23, CD43, CD44, and CD75 were incubated with purified CD22Rg (25-50  $\mu$ g/ml) for 1 hour at room temperature, rinsed with 25 DMEM without serum, incubated with fluorescein-labeled affinity-purified goat-anti-human antibody for 30 min. at room temperature, rinsed, fixed in 4% formaldehyde and examined under a fluorescence microscope or by FACS scan.

#### Production of Soluble CD22 $\beta$ Protein Fragments

30 Fig. 10 shows the nucleic acid sequence and corresponding amino acid sequence for the CD22 $\beta$  cDNA and protein, as described in Wilson et al., supra.

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The CD22 $\beta$  gene may be digested with restriction enzymes to generate a desired DNA fragment; the fragment may then be cloned, expressed, and the resulting protein fragment purified, all according to conventional techniques; e.g., see Maniatis et al., Eds., Molecular Cloning, A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor, NY (1982), and Pouwels et al., Eds., Cloning Vectors, Elsevier, Amsterdam (1987). Alternatively, the nucleotide sequence shown in Fig. 10 may be used to generate synthetic DNA molecules encoding either a desired region of the CD22 $\beta$  protein or the complete protein, and the synthetic DNA may then be cloned, expressed, and the protein or protein fragment purified according to conventional techniques. If the entire protein is produced in this way, it may be digested with proteolytic enzymes to generate the desired fragment. Finally, the deduced amino acid sequence of CD22 $\beta$  as shown in Fig. 10, may be used to generate a synthetic peptide.

20 Use

CD22 $\beta$  interacts with different ligands on T, B, and myeloid cells. The nature of CD45RO, the T cell ligand of CD22 $\beta$ , provides some clues as to the effects of CD22 $\beta$ -mediated adhesion of T cells. CD45RO/CD4 T cells are known to provide help for B cell antibody production (Smith et al., Immunol., 58:63-70 (1986)). Furthermore, CD45 molecules display phosphotyrosine phosphatase activity and are thought to regulate signal transduction in lymphocytes by enhancing or blocking cell activation induced through T or B cell surface antigens. The regulatory function is believed to result from interaction between intracellular portions of CD45 and various lymphocyte cell surface molecules. For example, cross-linking of CD45 with CD3 or CD2 inhibits the ability of anti-CD3 and anti-CD2 mAb to increase

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intracellular calcium fluxing and stimulate T cell activation. Conversely, cross-linking of CD45 with CD4 greatly augments the calcium fluxing produced upon cross-linking CD4 alone. Ledbetter et al., Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA, 85:8628-32 (1988). CD22 $\beta$  is the first CD45 ligand to be identified and apparently triggers CD45 to regulate T cell activation, and possibly, cytokine production.

Consequently, soluble fragments or analogs of CD22 $\beta$  may be used in the therapeutic regulation of T cell activation. By administering an amount of such a protein effective to competitively inhibit the binding of naturally occurring B cell CD22 $\beta$  to the CD45 sites on a patient's T cells, T cell activation can be down-regulated, thus down-regulating the patient's system. Thus the invention provides a means for treatment of autoimmune diseases, e.g., rheumatoid arthritis, SLE, and Type I diabetes as well as allograft rejection, graft versus host disease, and other disease states in which it is advantageous to inhibit T-cell activation and/or T-cell activation of a B cell humoral response. In addition to soluble CD22 $\beta$  fragments, therapy according to the invention can also employ anti-CD22 $\beta$  antibodies, or antibodies to the T-cell or B-cell ligand for CD22 $\beta$ .

Soluble proteins or protein fragments, as well as antibodies, may be administered to a human patient in one of the conventional modes, e.g., orally, intravenously, parenterally, or transdermally in a sustained release formulation using a biodegradable biocompatible polymer, admixed with an appropriate pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent, or by using micelles, gels, or liposomes.

The soluble protein or antibody can be administered to a human patient in a dosage of about 0.5 mg/kg/day to about 3.0 mg/kg/day.

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The use of soluble CD22 $\beta$  may provide additional benefits in treating, e.g., allograft rejection, because its use does not cause the body to generate additional antibodies, because the soluble CD22 $\beta$  is recognized as a 5 self-antigen.

Other embodiments are within the following claims.

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Claims

1. Use of a substance which binds to a CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand on a cell in the preparation of a medicament for inhibiting, in a biological sample or system, the binding of a CD22 $\beta$ -bearing B cell to said cell bearing a CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand.
2. The use of claim 1 wherein said cell bearing a CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand is a T cell or a B cell.
3. The use of claim 1 wherein said inhibiting substance comprises a soluble protein comprising a portion of CD22 $\beta$  capable of binding to a CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand binding site on a T cell.
4. The use of claim 2 wherein said inhibitory substance is an antibody to naturally occurring B cell CD22 $\beta$ .
5. A soluble protein fragment capable of binding to a CD22 $\beta$ -specific ligand on a T cell.
6. The fragment of claim 5, excluding the transmembrane region of CD22 $\beta$  or including only a portion of said transmembrane region small enough not to prevent solubilization of said fragment.
7. The fragment of claim 6, said fragment being at least 75% homologous with a region of CD22 $\beta$ .
8. The fragment of claim 7, said fragment containing at least 332 amino acids.
9. The use of claim 1, wherein the biological system is a human patient.

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10. A therapeutic composition comprising one or more different soluble fragments as defined in claim 5 in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

11. An expression vector comprising a DNA sequence encoding the soluble fragment of claim 5.

12. A cell comprising the expression vector of claim 11.

13. A method of making a soluble CD22 $\beta$  fragment comprising culturing the cell of claim 12 and isolating 10 said soluble fragment therefrom.

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FIG. 1a

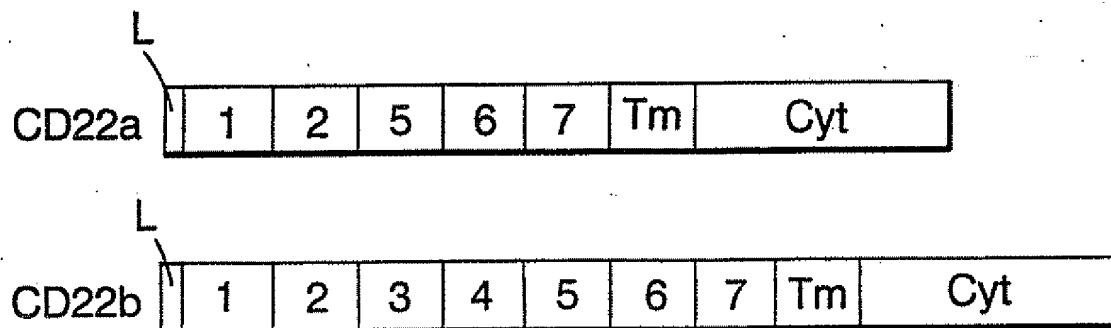


FIG. 1b

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APE		
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FIG. 3

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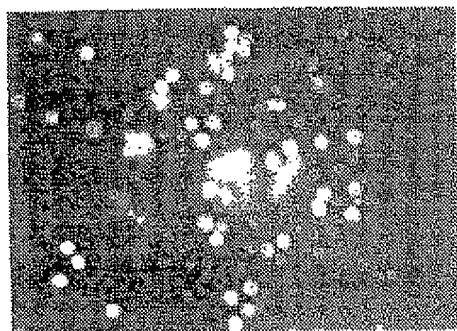


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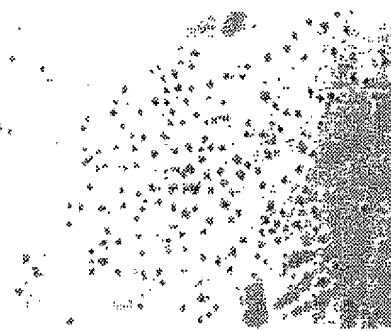


FIG. 2b



FIG. 2c

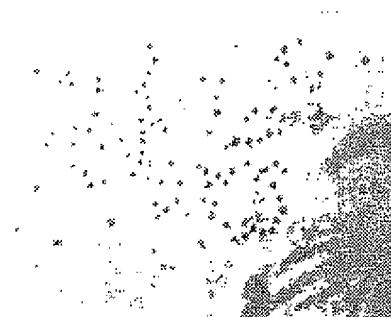


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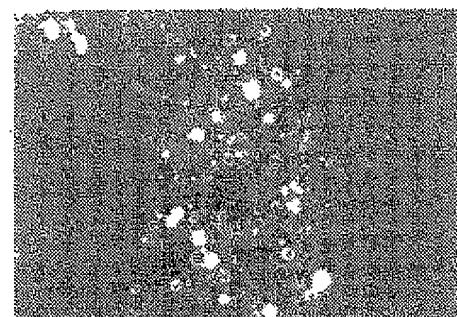


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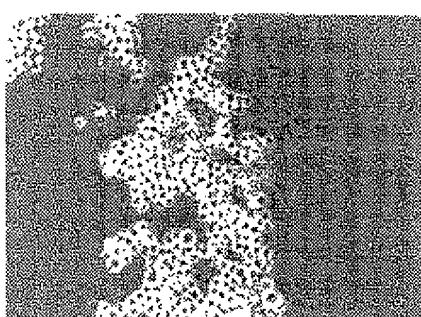


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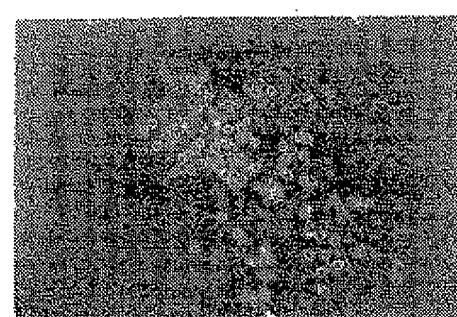


FIG. 2g



FIG. 2h

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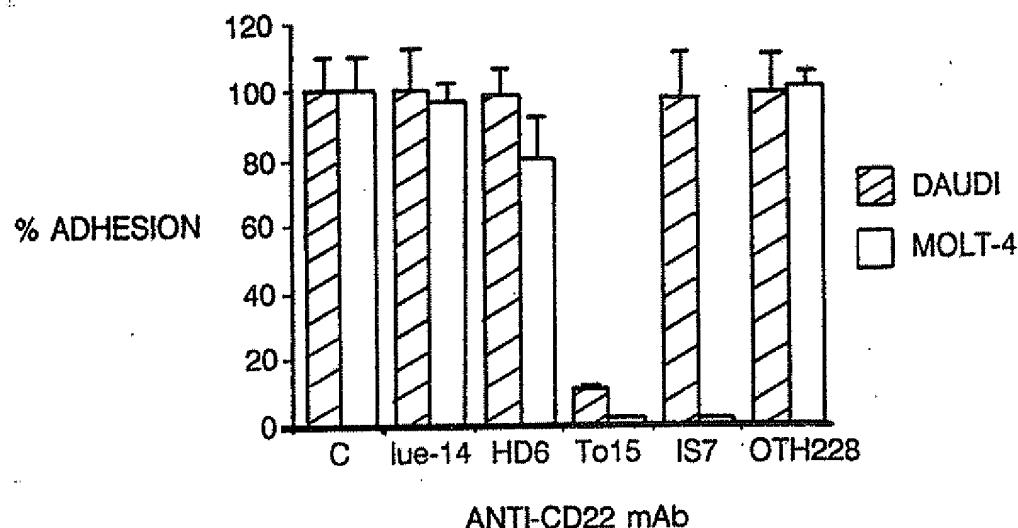


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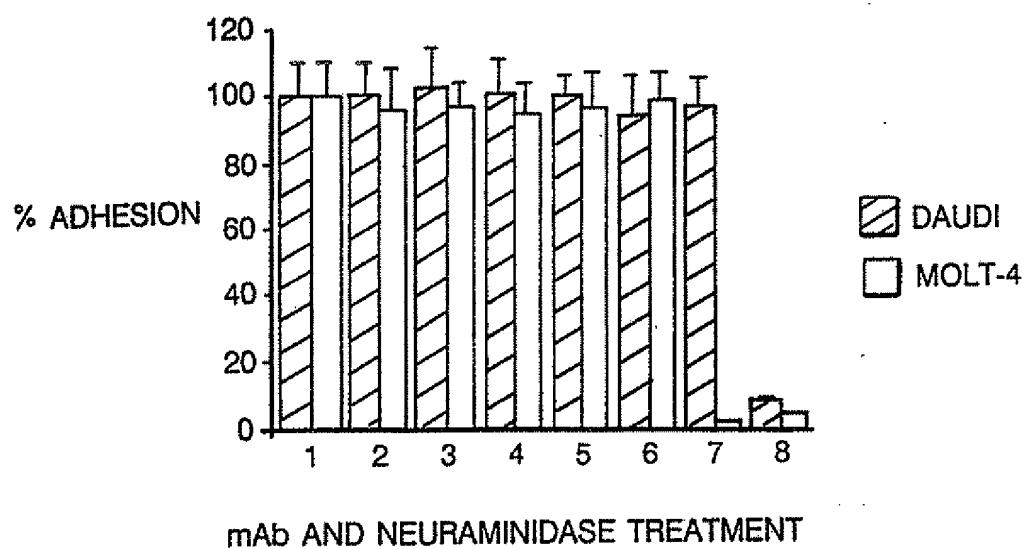


FIG. 5

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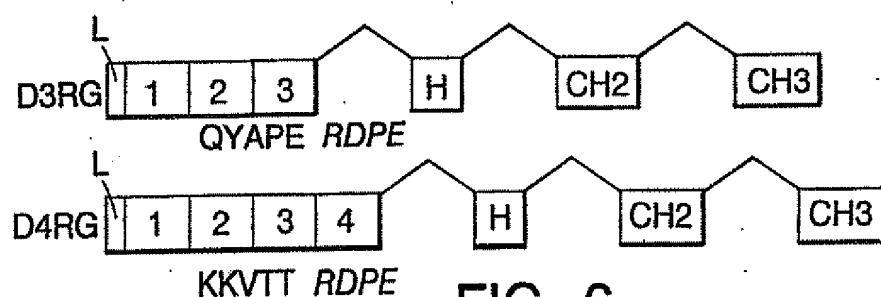


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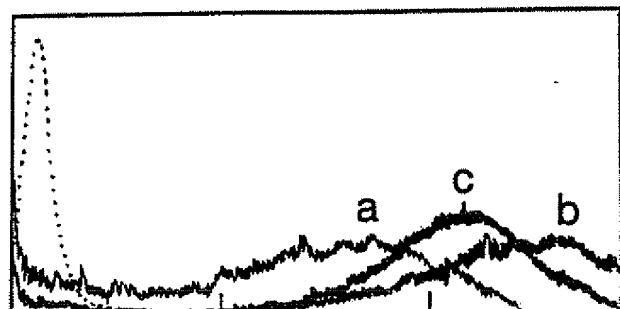
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FIG. 7a

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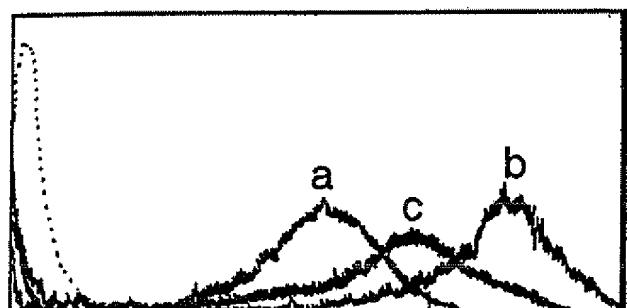
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FIG. 7b

LOG FLUORESCENCE INTENSITY

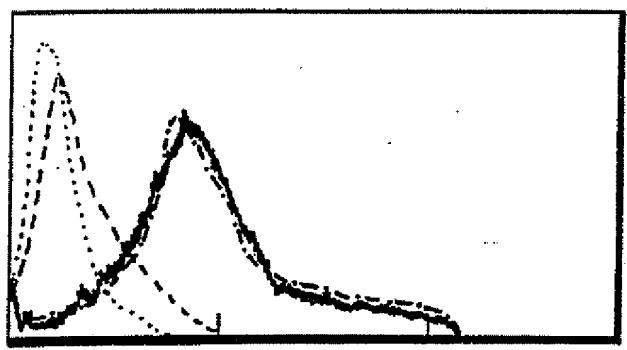
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FIG. 7c

LOG FLUORESCENCE INTENSITY

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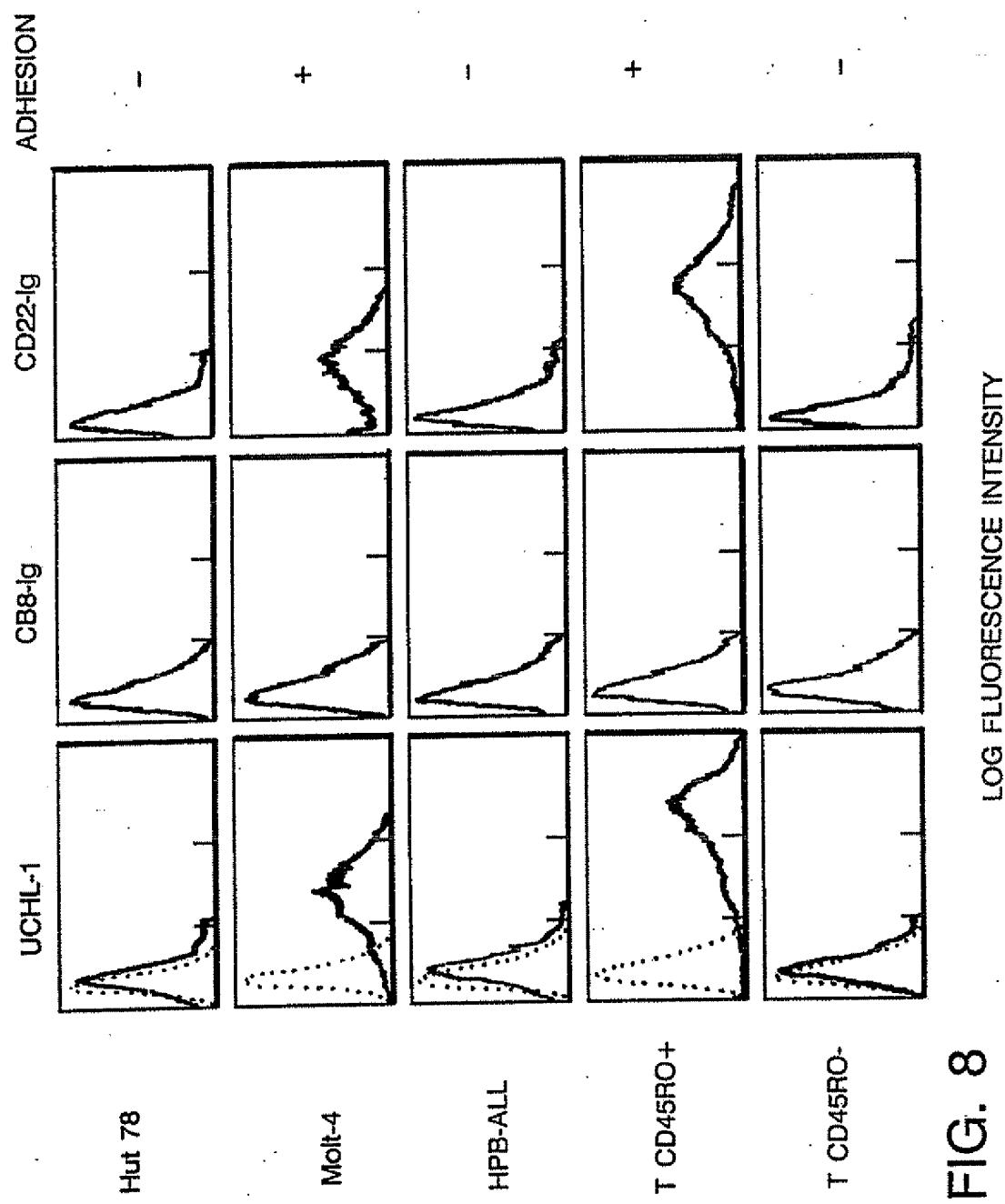


FIG. 8

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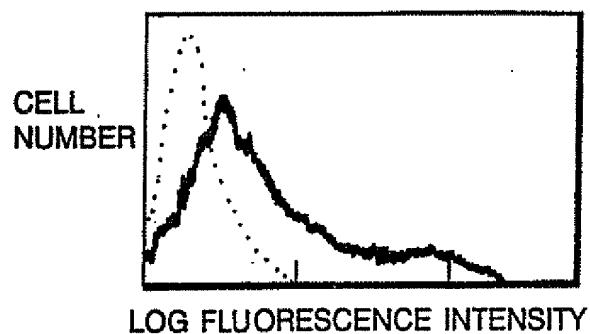


FIG. 9a

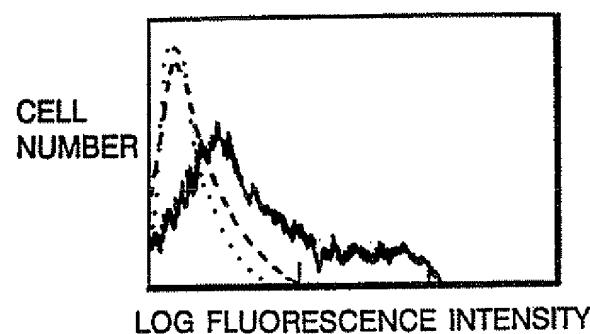


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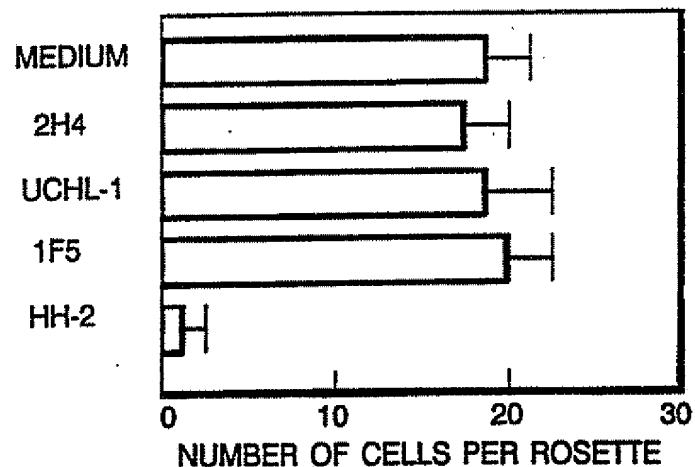


FIG. 9d

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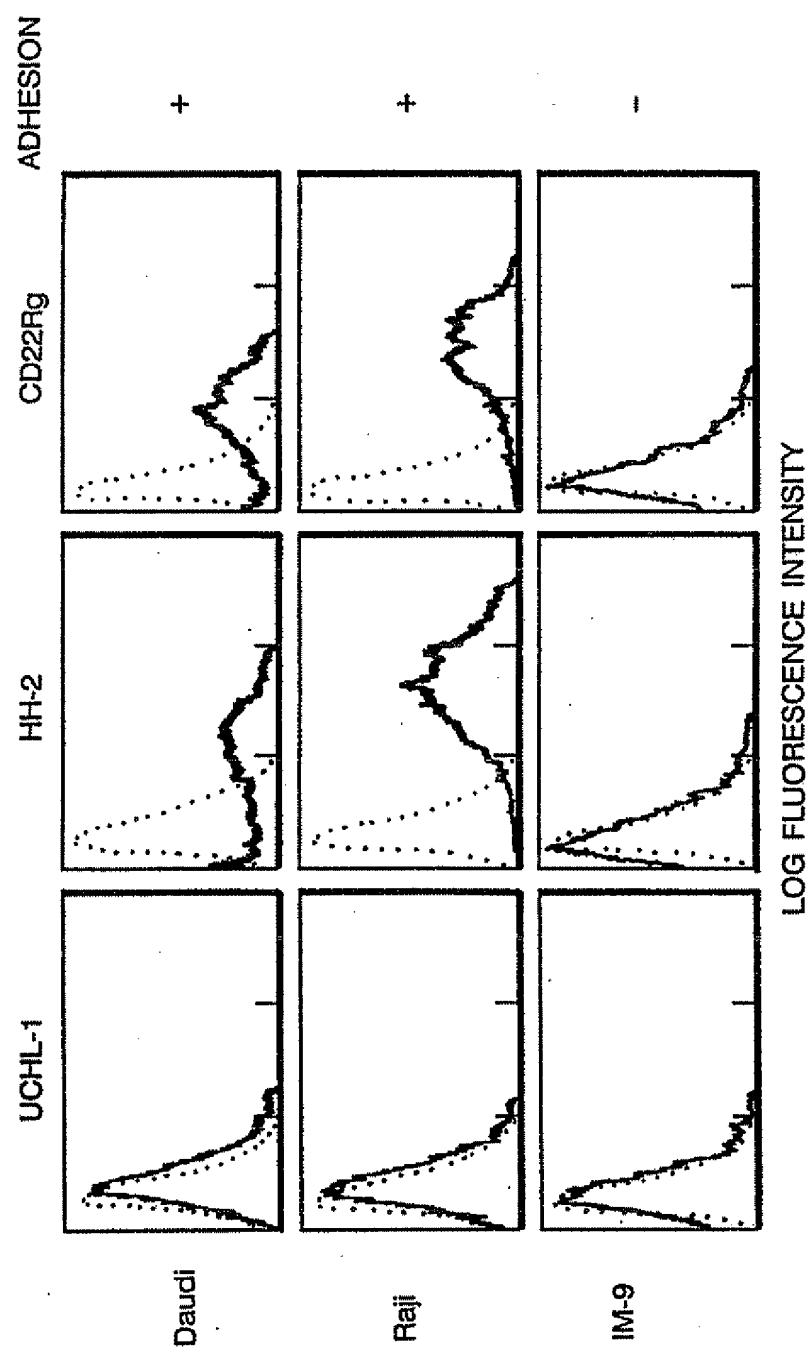


FIG. 9c

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FIG. 10a

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 Glu Tyr Thr Thr Val Ser Trp Leu Lys Asp Gly Thr Ser Leu Lys Lys  
 275 280 285

CAG AAT ACA TTC ACG CTA AAC CTG CGC GAA GTG ACC AAG GAC CAG AGT  
 Gln Asn Thr Phe Thr Leu Asn Leu Arg Glu Val Thr Lys Asp Gln Ser  
 290 295 300

GGG AAG TAC TGC TGT CAG GTC TCC AAT GAC GTG GGC CCG GGA AGG TCG  
 Gly Lys Tyr Cys Cys Gln Val Ser Asn Asp Val Gly Pro Gly Arg Ser  
 305 310 315 320

GAA GAA GTG TTC CTG CAA GTG CAG TAT GCC CCG GAA CCT TCC ACG GTT  
 Glu Glu Val Phe Leu Gln Val Gln Tyr Ala Pro Glu Pro Ser Thr Val  
 325 330 335

CAG ATC CTC CAC TCA CCG GCT GTG GAG GGA AGT CAA GTC GAG TTT CTT  
 Gln Ile Leu His Ser Pro Ala Val Glu Gly Ser Gln Val Glu Phe Leu  
 340 345 350

TGC ATG TCA CTG GCC AAT CCT CTT CCA ACA AAT TAC ACG TGG TAC CAC  
 Cys Met Ser Leu Ala Asn Pro Leu Pro Thr Asn Tyr Thr Trp Tyr His  
 355 360 365

AAT GGG AAA GAA ATG CAG GGA AGG ACA GAG GAG AAA GTC CAC ATC CCA  
 Asn Gly Lys Glu Met Gln Gly Arg Thr Glu Glu Lys Val His Ile Pro  
 370 375 380

AAG ATC CTC CCC TGG CAC GCT GGG ACT TAT TCC TGT GTG GCA GAA AAC  
 Lys Ile Leu Pro Trp His Ala Gly Thr Tyr Ser Cys Val Ala Glu Asn  
 385 390 395 400

ATT CTT GGT ACT GGA CAG AGG GGC CCG GGA GCT GAG CTG GAT GTC CAG  
 Ile Leu Gly Thr Gly Gln Arg Gly Pro Gly Ala Glu Leu Asp Val Gln  
 405 410 415

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TAT CCT CCC AAG AAG GTG ACC ACA GTG ATT CAA AAC CCC ATG CCG ATT  
 Tyr Pro Pro Lys Lys Val Thr Thr Val Ile Gln Asn Pro Met Pro Ile  
 420 425 430

CGA GAA GGA GAC ACA GTG ACC CTT TCC TGT AAC TAC AAT TCC AGT AAC  
 Arg Glu Gly Asp Thr Val Thr Leu Ser Cys Asn Tyr Asn Ser Ser Asn  
 435 440 445

CCC AGT GTT ACC CGG TAT GAA TGG AAA CCC CAT GGC GCC TGG GAG GAG  
 Pro Ser Val Thr Arg Tyr Glu Trp Lys Pro His Gly Ala Trp Glu Glu  
 450 455 460

CCA TCG CTT GGG GTG CTG AAG ATC CAA AAC GTT GGC TGG GAC AAC ACA  
 Pro Ser Leu Gly Val Leu Lys Ile Gln Asn Val Gly Trp Asp Asn Thr  
 465 470 475 480

ACC ATC GCC TGC GCA CGT TGT AAT AGT TGG TGC TCG TGG GCC TCC CCT  
 Thr Ile Ala Cys Ala Arg Cys Asn Ser Trp Cys Ser Trp Ala Ser Pro  
 485 490 495

GTC GCC CTG AAT GTC CAG TAT GCC CCC CGA GAC GTG AGG GTC CGG AAA  
 Val Ala Leu Asn Val Gln Tyr Ala Pro Arg Asp Val Arg Val Arg Lys  
 500 505 510

ATC AAG CCC CTT TCC GAG ATT CAC TCT GGA AAC TCG GTC AGC CTC CAA  
 Ile Lys Pro Leu Ser Glu Ile His Ser Gly Asn Ser Val Ser Leu Gln  
 515 520 525

TGT GAC TTC TCA AGC AGC CAC CCC AAA GAA GTC CAG TTC TTC TGG GAG  
 Cys Asp Phe Ser Ser Ser His Pro Lys Glu Val Gln Phe Phe Trp Glu  
 530 535 540

AAA AAT GGC AGG CTT CTG GGG AAA GAA AGC CAG CTG AAT TTT GAC TCC  
 Lys Asn Gly Arg Leu Leu Gly Lys Glu Ser Gln Leu Asn Phe Asp Ser  
 545 550 555 560

ATC TCC CCA GAA GAT GCT GGG AGT TAC AGC TGC TGG GTG AAC AAC TCC  
 Ile Ser Pro Glu Asp Ala Gly Ser Tyr Ser Cys Trp Val Asn Asn Ser  
 565 570 575

ATA GGA CAG ACA GCG TCC AAG GCC TGG ACA CTT GAA GTG CTG TAT GCA  
 Ile Gly Gln Thr Ala Ser Lys Ala Trp Thr Leu Glu Val Leu Tyr Ala  
 580 585 590

CCC AGG AGG CTG CGT GTG TCC ATG AGC CCG GGG GAC CAA GTG ATG GAG  
 Pro Arg Arg Leu Arg Val Ser Met Ser Pro Gly Asp Gln Val Met Glu  
 595 600 605

GGG AAG AGT GCA ACC CTG ACC TGT GAG AGT GAC GCC AAC CCT CCC GTC  
 Gly Lys Ser Ala Thr Leu Thr Cys Glu Ser Asp Ala Asn Pro Pro Val  
 610 615 620

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TCC CAC TAC ACC TGG TTT GAC TGG AAT AAC CAA AGC CTC CCC CAC CAC  
 Ser His Tyr Thr Trp Phe Asp Trp Asn Asn Gln Ser Leu Pro His His  
 625 630 635 640

AGC CAG AAG CTG AGA TTG GAG CCG GTG AAG GTC CAG CAC TCG GGT GCC  
 Ser Gln Lys Leu Arg Leu Glu Pro Val Lys Val Gln His Ser Gly Ala  
 645 650 655

TAC TGG TGC CAG GGG ACC AAC AGT GTG GGC AAG GGC CGT TCG CCT CTC  
 Tyr Trp Cys Gln Gly Thr Asn Ser Val Gly Lys Gly Arg Ser Pro Leu  
 660 665 670

AGC ACC CTT ACT GTC TAC TAT AGC CCG GAG ACC ATC GGC AGG CGA GTG  
 Ser Thr Leu Thr Val Tyr Tyr Ser Pro Glu Thr Ile Gly Arg Arg Val  
 675 680 685

GCT GTG GGA CTC GGG TCC TGC CTC GCC ATC CTC ATC CTG GCA ATC TGT  
 Ala Val Gly Leu Gly Ser Cys Leu Ala Ile Leu Ile Leu Ala Ile Cys  
 690 695 700

GGG CTC AAG CTC CAG CGA CGT TGG AAG AGG ACA CAG AGC CAG CAG GGG  
 Gly Leu Lys Leu Gln Arg Arg Trp Lys Arg Thr Gln Ser Gln Gln Gly  
 705 710 715 720

CTT CAG GAG AAT TCC AGC GGC CAG AGC TTC TTT GTG AGG AAT AAA AAG  
 Leu Gln Glu Asn Ser Ser Gly Gln Ser Phe Phe Val Arg Asn Lys Lys  
 725 730 735

GTT AGA AGG GCC CCC CTC TCT GAA GGC CCC CAC TCC CTG GGA TGC TAC  
 Val Arg Arg Ala Pro Leu Ser Glu Gly Pro His Ser Leu Gly Cys Tyr  
 740 745 750

AAT CCA ATG ATG GAA GAT GGC ATT AGC TAC ACC ACC CTG CGC TTT CCC  
 Asn Pro Met Met Glu Asp Gly Ile Ser Tyr Thr Leu Arg Phe Pro  
 755 760 765

GAG ATG AAC ATA CCA CGA ACT GGA GAT GCA GAG TCC TCA GAG ATG CAG  
 Glu Met Asn Ile Pro Arg Thr Gly Asp Ala Glu Ser Ser Glu Ile Gln  
 770 775 780

AGA CCT CCC CGG ACC TGC GAT GAC ACG GTC ACT TAT TCA GCA TTG CAC  
 Arg Pro Pro Arg Thr Ser Asp Asp Thr Val Thr Tyr Ser Ala Leu His  
 785 790 795 800

AAG CGC CAA GTG GGC GAC TAT GAG AAC GTC ATT CCA GAT TTT CCA GAA  
 Lys Arg Gln Val Gly Asp Tyr Glu Asn Val Ile Pro Asp Phe Pro Glu  
 805 810 815

GAT GAG GGG ATT CAT TAC TCA GAG CTG ATC CAG TTT GGG GTC GGG GAG  
 Asp Glu Gly Ile His Tyr Ser Glu Leu Ile Gln Phe Gly Val Gly Glu  
 820 825 830

FIG. 10d

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CGG CCT CAG GCA CAA GAA AAT GTG GAC TAT GTG ATC CTC AAA CAT TGA  
Arg Pro Gln Ala Gln Glu Asn Val Asp Tyr Val Ile Leu Lys His  
835 840 845

CACTGGATGG GCTGGCAGGAG AGGCACCTGGG GGCAGGGGG GCCAGGGAAAG TCCCCGAGTT  
TCCCCAGACA CCGCCACATG GCTTCTCTCT GCGTGCATGT GGGCACACAC ACACACACAC  
GCACACACAC ACACACACAC TCACAGGGGA GAACCTTGTG CCTGGCTCAAG AGCCAGTCTT  
TTTGGGTGAGG GTAAACCCAA ACCTCAAAA CTCCTGGCC TGTTCTCTTC CACTCTCCTT  
GCTACCCAGA AATCATCTAA ATACCTGGCC TGACATGGCAC ACCTCCCTG CCCACCCAGC  
CCACTGGCC A TCTCCACCCG GAGCTGCTGT TGCCTCTGGA TCTGCTCGTC ATTTCTCTC  
CCTTCTCCAT CTCTCTGGCC CTCTACCCCT GATCTGACAT CCCCACTCAG GAATATTATG  
CCCAGTTCT GCCTCTGAGG AAAAGACAG AACAGGAAGTA GAAAGGGGCC CAGTCTGGC  
CTGGCTTCTC CTTTGGAAAGT GAGGCAATTGC ACGGGGAGAC GTACGTATCA GGGGCCCTT  
GACTCTGGGG ACTCCGGGT TGAGATGGAC ACACTGGTGT GGATTAACCT GCCAGGGAGA  
CAGAGCTCAC AATAAAATG GCTCAGATGC CACTTCAGAAG AACCAAG AAAAAMAA

FIG. 10e

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